State Water Resources Control Board



Division of Water Quality

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NOTICE OF REVISED BOARD ADOPTION HEARING

PROPOSED WATER RECYCLING POLICY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has rescheduled its hearing to consider adoption of a proposed Water Recycling Policy and a proposed Certified Regulatory Program Environmental Analysis. This hearing was originally scheduled for December 4, 2007, and will now be scheduled for January 15, 2008. A quorum of State Water Board members will be present at the hearing. The State Water Board will receive oral comments on the proposed Water Recycling Policy and may adopt the proposed Water Recycling Policy at the January 15, 2008 hearing. The location and time of the hearing are provided below.

January 15, 2008 – 10 a.m.
Cal/EPA Headquarters Building
Byron Sher Auditorium
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

BACKGROUND

Recycled water is a major source of water supply in California and a major component in California's plan for meeting the state's growing water demand. The California Water Plan estimates that recycled water usage can increase from half a million acre-feet per year in 2003 to two million acre-feet per year in 2030. The Recycled Water Task Force issued a report in June 2003 that contained recommendations that California should implement to achieve this goal. Some of the recommendations concerned the need to consistently apply state statutes and regulations regarding water recycling and water quality. The purpose of a statewide policy would be to provide direction to the Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Water Boards) on how to interpret state statutes, regulations, plans, and policies with respect to water recycling projects, thus ensuring consistent interpretation of the requirements among the Regional Water Boards.

On October 2, 2007, the State Water Board held a workshop on the proposed Water Recycling Policy and an associated Certified Regulatory Program Environmental Analysis. The proposed Water Recycling Policy presented at the workshop and the comments received on it can be viewed at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_recycling_policy/index.html . The comment deadline was October 26, 2007.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

State Water Board staff is currently preparing a response to the comments that have been received on the draft of the proposed Water Recycling Policy that was presented at the October 2, 2007 workshop. Any revisions to the proposed Water Recycling Policy and Certified Regulatory Program Environmental Analysis will be posted at a later date, at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water-recycling-policy/index.html. If revisions are made to these documents, Notice of Opportunity for Comment will be provided at a later date.

Interested parties may subscribe to an email list for future notifications about the proposed Water Recycling Policy at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/lyrisforms/swrcb-subscribe.html : choose Water Recycling Policy.

ORAL COMMENTS

Time limitations on oral presentations may be imposed. Please coordinate oral presentations with others with similar comments. For other presentation recommendations, see "Presentations to the Board" at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/wksmtgs/board_presentations.html.

PARKING AND ACCESSIBILITY

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please direct questions about this notice to Gordon Innes at (916) 341-5517 (ginnes@waterboards.ca.gov).

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